

**REMARKS**

This preliminary amendment is being submitted in order to correct a typographic error in the specification and is respectfully submitted prior to initiation of the prosecution of this application in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

No new matter is included in this amendment.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that this amendment now be entered, and that prosecution on the merits of this application now be initiated. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe such action can be taken, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which he may have.

Dated: December 4, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

By Shawn P. Foley  
Shawn P. Foley  
Registration No.: 33,071  
LERNER, DAVID, LITTENBERG,  
KRUMHOLZ & MENTLIK, LLP  
600 South Avenue West  
Westfield, New Jersey 07090  
(908) 654-5000  
Attorney for Applicant